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SUBJ: COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF BOP CONSULTATION WITH PAKISTAN

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1. PER INSTRUCTIONS IN REFTEL WE HAVE ASKED MAJOR DEVELOPED COUNTRIES ON BALANCE OF PAYMENTS COMMITTEE TO JOIN US IF NECESSARY IN SUPPORTING CHAIRMAN'S INTERPRETATION OF BOP COMMITTEE PROCEDURES FOR HANDLING MINI-CONSULTATIONS (I.E., THERE IS NO CONSENSUS THAT MINI-CONSULTATION IS SUFFICIENT IF ONE OR MORE MEMBERS WANT A FULL CONSULTATION, AND, THEREFORE, A FULL CONSULTATION IS HELD). EC, CANADA, JAPAN, AND SWEDEN ALL SAID THAT THEY THOUGHT THEY COULD SUPPORT US AND EITHER HAVE OR WILL GET INSTRUCTIONS TO THIS EFFECT. EC AND SWEDEN POINTED TO RECENT STATEMENTS IN MTN FRAMEWORK GROUP REITERATING SUPPORT FOR CURRENT PROCEDURE. AUSTRALIA ASKED THAT WE RAISE MATTER WITH CANBERRA AS GOA HAS NOT FOCUSED ON ISSUE BEFORE.

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2. WE ARE STILL NOT SURE WHETHER PAKISTAN WILL TRY TO REOPEN MATTER AT COUNCIL, BUT BELIEVE IT BEST NOT RAISE MATTER WITH ITS REP. PAKISTAN REP APPROACHED CHAIRMAN OF BOP COMMITTEE (JAGMETTI) SEVERAL WEEKS AGO AND INDICATED THAT HE WAS NOT HAPPY WITH BOP COMMITTEE'S REPORT (BOP/R 94) BECAUSE IT DID NOT INDICATE THAT REQUEST FOR

MINI-CONSULTATION WAS MADE BY ONLY ONE COUNTRY. HE TRIED TO GET REPORT CHANGED, BUT WAS TOLD IT WAS TOO LATE. BRAZIL HAS INDICATED THAT IN COUNCIL IT WILL ONLY MAKE POINT THAT CURRENT PROCEDURE UNSATISFACTORY AND STRESS NEED TO PURSUE WORK IN FRAMEWORK GROUP. BOP COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN JAGMETTI'S CURRENT THINKING IS IN PRESENTING HIS REPORT TO COUNCIL TO MAKE A STRONG STATEMENT TO THE EFFECT THAT THERE HAS BEEN A DIVERGENCE OF VIEWS ON THE MINI-CONSULTATION PROCEDURES, BUT THAT BASED ON L/377/REV 2 THE CLEAR RULE IS THAT MINI-CONSULTATIONS ARE THE EXCEPTIONS AND, IF THERE IS NO CONSENSUS ON HOLDING A MINI-CONSULTATION, THEN A FULL CONSULTATION IS HELD. WE HAVE INDICATED OUR SUPPORT FOR SUCH A CLEAR AND STRONG STATEMENT ALTHOUGH WE HAVE ALSO INDICATED THAT WE DON'T THINK IT NECESSARY THAT JAGMETTI INVITE OR PROVOKE COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF HIS STATEMENT. JAGMETTI ALSO PLANS TO INFORM PAKISTANI REP DAY BEFORE COUNCIL OF CONTENTS OF HIS STATEMENT.

3. ACTION: RECOMMEND DEPT REQUEST EMBASSY CANBERRA TO ASK GOA INSTRUCT ITS GENEVA MISSION TO SUPPORT BOP COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S RULING ON COMMITTEE'S PROCEDURES. VANDEN HEUVEL

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